

Government Administration and Elections Committee

## AN ACT REQUIRING THE ONLINE POSTING OF MEETING NOTICES OF STATE PUBLIC AGENCIES

**SUMMARY:** This act expands the Freedom of Information Act's (FOIA) meeting notice requirements that apply to state public agencies other than the legislature. It requires these agencies to post a schedule of their regular meetings for each year on the secretary of the state's website. Existing law, unchanged by the act, requires agencies to file these schedules with the secretary annually by January 31 and post them on their websites.

The act also requires the secretary to post on his website special meeting notices the agencies file with him. Under existing law, unchanged by the act, agencies must (1) post the notices on their own websites and (2) file them with the secretary for posting in his office. (A special meeting is one held to consider business that (1) was unforeseen when scheduling regular meetings and (2) should be addressed before the next regular meeting.)

Under existing law, unchanged by the act, the legislature is a public agency for FOIA purposes, but is authorized to adopt meeting notice requirements as part of the Joint Rules.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2022